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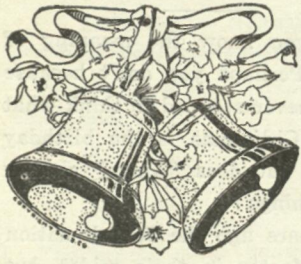


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Choral Society Presents Cantata

The Choral Society of Taylor University presented "THE COMING OF THE KING" by Dudley Buck, Sunday afternoon at three o'clock in Shreiner Auditorium, as this year's Christmas Cantata, under the direction of Professor Wells. Each year the Yuletide and Christmas spirit is aroused thru the special Christmas music, and is especially stressed by the Choral Society. This year several guests from neighboring cities enjoyed the presentation. With the use of beautiful music the story of Christ's prophetic advent was proclaimed, together with the presentation of the Annunciation, Bethlehem excerpts, the questioning of the Magi before Herod with his reply and the Adoration.

It is evident that into cantatas is put much of the choicest thought and feeling, since they offer an outlet for musical skill as well as the presentation of settings from Gospel stories bringing in the religious phase. "The Coming of the King" was especially characteristic for its dramatic and thematic treatment. Here, as in other cantatas, the chorale is presented strongly in the opening and closing numbers, and interspersed with choruses, solo parts, duets, trios and preludes including the following:—

Soprano Solo, Ada Rupp
Alto Solo, Juanita Frasier.
Tenor Solo, Mr. Rosengrant.
Male Trio, Messrs. Matthews, Metcalf, Rosengrant.
Part of Herod, Mr. Edie.
Vocal Duet, Misses Miller and Frasier.

We notice in this cantata the words and feelings of Herod as the Magi questions the King concerning the Babe's abode and the Eastern star. The Male Chorus is characteristic of this particular Cantata. The sentiment of the words and the accompaniments constitute important parts of the total effect.

"The Coming of the King" was closed with the audience standing to join in singing Adeste Fideles—"O Come All Ye Faithful."

Miss Dayo Speaks To Gamma Epsilons

Gamma Epsilon met Wednesday afternoon in Society Hall at 4:30 p.m. Our president, Miss Deyo, gave very interesting and inspiring discourse on the Importance of Prayer a study taken from the Gospel according to St. Matthew.

Taking up the four prayers of Christ we have the model prayer, Revelation of Things to Babes, Intercession and Prayer on the Cross. "Father, why hast Thou forsaken me?" is the prayer of the hurden hearer.

We have the prayers in Matt. 5:44 and 24:20 for our enemies and in tribulation. We have the prayers for healing of the blind, the leper, the sick and lame given again and again by Matthew.

There are nine conditions necessary to successful prayer. These are love, faith, secrecy, obedience, humility, sincerity, persistency, united purpose, and patience.

"So those who would be patient, obedient, appreciative, fruitful, recipient and show forth blessings," it is absolutely necessary to form the habit of "Waiting on the Lord."

Eureka Club Elects Officers

SHILLIDAY CHOSEN PRESIDENT

The Eureka Debating club held its first meeting of the Winter Term Saturday evening. Mr. Shilliday, the president, presided. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mr. Shepherd.

The annual banquet was discussed and the following chairmen of committees were elected:

General Chairman, L. Clough.
Menu Committee, R. Leach.
Decoration committee, J. Rhine.
Program Committee, H. Runion.
Finance Committee, D. Bryan.
Invitation Committee, C. Long.

About twenty minutes of very instructive and interesting Parliamentary Drill was held after the business had been transacted. In this drill many humorous motions were passed and most of the members went away feeling glad that the business transacted during such drill is not legal and does not enter upon the minutes.

The new officers for the winter term were elected at regular meeting Dec. 9. They were as follows:

President, E. P. Shilliday.
1st Vice President, E. E. Allen.
2nd V. P., Ernest Hamilton.
3rd V. P., Borden.
Secretary, Bryan.
Treasurer, Tracy Martindale.
Essist., C. Long.
Censors (chairman) H. Runion.
Kenneth Fox, Sheppard, Conover.
Chaplain, Sabin.
Librarian, Milligan
Reporter, Mohnkern.

Philos Present Christmas Program

INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS GIVEN AS PART OF EVENING PROGRAM

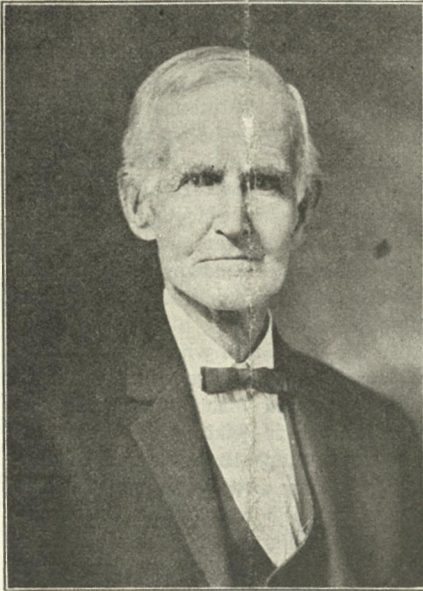
Before the curtain rose on the program proper, the officers of the Society for the present term were installed with a brief but impressive ceremony. This consisted of a speech by Mr. Allen, the ex-president, who called the incoming officers to the front of the chapel; the reading of the duties of each, by the former chaplain; taking the oath of office administered by the chaplain.

Shepherds watching flock.

As the curtain was lifted on a scene from long ago, the audience saw four shepherds seated around the fire, warming themselves from the cold night. In the distance were hills of snow, with trees before and a blanket of white on the ground. Far away in the East was the Star, the like of which means so much. Dozing the while as the shepherds rested from their cares, the star shone round about them and they heard in the distance, music as if played on a heavenly harp. Voices came to them from the skies, singing Christmas carols. Soon four angels appeared and sang "Silent Night, Holy Night."

Then, as the angels departed, the shepherds arose and followed in the direction the star pointed seeking the Babe of Bethlehem.

Another selection of beautiful music concluded the program.



J. D. CAMPBELL

John D. Campbell, friend and patron of Taylor University, is on the campus at the present time. Mr. Campbell's health is not of the best this winter, but he is receiving the best of care, housed in Campbell dormitory, which dormitory Taylor has today largely because of his gifts and inspirations Taylor does well to honor the name and person of one who has done so much for the institution.

Soangetahas Elect Officers, Winter Term

MRS. WARD, NEW PRESIDENT

The officers to lead the Strong-Hartd Maidens during the winter term are as follows:

Pres.—Mrs. Ward.
1st Vice Pres.—Lela Macy.
2nd Vice Pres.—Helen Hessenauer.
Sec.—Lucille Reynolds.
1st Asst. Sec.—Juanita Hawkins.
2nd Asst. Sec.—Mary Poling.
Treas.—Doris Connelly.
Asst. Treas.—Irene Reeder.
Censor—Helen Hockett.
1st Asst. Censor—Josephine Deyo.
2nd Asst. Censor—Mrs. Miller.
Critics, Frances Bogue, Betty Beebe.
Ser't-at-arms,—Inah Mae Masters.
1st Asst. Serg't-at-arms—Mary Lucille Oren.
2nd Asst. Serg't-at-arms—Ardath Furst.
Chaplain—Agnes Taylor.
Reporter—Kitty Cox.

Saturday evening, Dec. 17th a very timely question was resolved, That Christmas vacation should begin Dec. 14 and end Dec. 28 as last year, was ably handled by Elsa Buchannen and Ardis Snell who successfully proved the affirmative. Helen Hessenauer and Stella Turman for the negative.

The debate was extemporaneous, however, it was evident that the question had been turned and re-turned in the minds of the speakers.

TAYLOR QUARTETS IN ACTION

A new project has been introduced by the Music Department of Taylor this year—that of sending out two talented young ladies' quartets for the purpose of representation, by the presentation of definitely planned secular or sacred programs. Extra features are introduced by separate instrumental numbers.

The Atkinson-Rupp Quartet appeared at the monthly Teacher's institute at Auburn, Indiana, where they were well received and a cre-

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Eulogonian Club Chooses Officers

WILCOX ELECTED AS NEW PRESIDENT

An interesting session of the Eulogonian Debating Club was held on Saturday evening presided over by the president for the new term, Harrison Wilcox.

At six-thirty the meeting was called to order. An interesting discussion was held concerning the old and new business of the club and several important issues were settled. Following this the orders of the day were read. The program was a contest in extemporaneous speaking in which several members of the club took part. Each speaker received a topic chosen by the censor, and was given two minutes for preparation and two minutes for delivery. Those who spoke were Rice, Huff, Palacio, Sparks, Clench, and Spaude.

Each of the contestants elucidated very finely his knowledge of the subject. Considering the shortness of time allotted to preparation and delivery each speech was highly commendable.

The judges announced the winners of the contest and a very handsome prize was awarded Mr. Palacio.

The interest manifested by the club members, and the efficiency of the officers, and in fact all indications pointed favorably toward a very successful term for the Eulogonian Club.

Officers for the winter term are as follows:

President—Harrison Wilcox
Vice President, Raymond Rice.
Sec.—Castro.
Treasurer, Matthews.
Censor—Miller.
Critic, Elton Stetson.
Sgt. at arms—C. Taylor.
Chaplain, McKey.

Ministerial Ass'n Has Had Active Year

NEW OFFICERS CHOSEN

The last official meeting for the fall term of the T. U. Men's Ministerial Association was held in Room 3 of Sickler Hall on Dec. 5.

The opening services consisted of two songs and a prayer. Then the following officers were elected for the Winter Term.

President, J. Ross Jackson.
V. President Rev. K. E. Maynard.
Sec. Treasurer, Virgil W. Brown.
Song Leader, Dean Irish.
Reporter, Tracy S. Martindale.
Custodian, J. Hayden Huff.

When a man has served an organization as faithfully as did our outgoing president we may know there lies behind that character something worthy of mention. We feel very highly honored in knowing that that one willingly and gladly led us from "death unto life" during his three terms of administration. Through his consistent and continual praying and planning a goal has been set that may be attained only by the complete cooperation of every ministerial student on Taylor's Campus. Every Monday evening at six-thirty the table is spread with the necessities of a pastoral life. This is an opportunity to everyone who "must be first partaker of the fruits."

The selection by the Rosengrant, Stuart, Rose, Kjolseth quartet was appreciated by all after the speech of our outgoing president, Kenneth Maynard. Then the remaining time was devoted to short testimonies by a few members of the association concerning their call to preach.

Rev. Hunt Gives Lectures On The Bible

WINTER TERM OPENED BY SERIES OF AFTERNOON AND EVENING LECTURES

Thursday Dec. 15.

Dr. Hunt spoke of the sevenfold exposition of Christ.

- (1) The Dateless Christ—"Before Abraham I am."
- (2) The Demonstrative Christ—Christ is the expression and language of God.
- (3) The Differentiating Christ—Preexistence and Plurality of Christ.
- (4) Deitific Christ—Christ is God.
- (5) Dynamic Christ—the Creator and controller of the universe.
- (6) The Daylight Christ.
- (7) The Donating Christ—To all who will receive him, He gives power and life eternal.

Friday—Dec. 16

Let every student hear Christ. He will tell you how to live. Dr. Hunt gave us the following outline of Christ:

- (1) The Prophetic Christ.
- (2) The Portraying Christ—He is the portrait of God.
- (3) The Priestly Christ—He purged our sins. He intercedes for us.
- (4) The potential Christ—Christ is the architect and owner of the world.
- (5) Preeminence of Christ—preeminent by succession, sonship, sanctity and sovereignty.
- (6) The perpetual Christ—"Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever."
- (7) The political Christ—Christ shall return and be the head of the whole world.

Dr. Hunt based his exposition on the first chapter of the Gospel of John.

Hunt Addresses Holiness League

Scientific Insight of Job Revealed in Thrilling Discourse.

Rev. John J. Hunt spoke at the regular meeting of the Holiness League, Dec. 17. His subject was "Who Told Job?" Astonishing revelations as to the harmony of scientific implications in the Book of Job and the teachings of modern science, were made. Many who heard the lecture thought it the best of the series which Mr. Hunt delivered at Taylor.

According to Mr. Hunt nearly every question of 'higher criticism,' considered from a scientific standpoint, has been absolutely shattered nearly fifty years ago.

Rev. Hunt showed that Job was acquainted with many truths of science which may be studied out by man only with the use of modern scientific instruments. His inevitable reply to the question of "Who told Job these things?" is "God told Job."

The speaker pointed out passages in which Job recognized such commonly accepted principles as that of atmospheric pressure, that of the reflection of light by the moon, that implied in "He hangeth the world on nothing," that of the world's sphericity, that of the orbital accuracy of the sun and other spheres, and that of the revolution of the earth around the sun.

It was pointed out that the word meaning Pleiades, as was originally

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WE CONTEMPLATE UPON GOD'S GIFT

The fragrant tender clematis reaches out with its blind unseeing tendrils, seeking whereon it may cling. They wave helplessly in the air as though they almost feared to hope, yet they must hope. So helpless they seem that one almost feels a wave of pity surging through his breast for them. And yet withall their helplessness how unerringly they make their way toward the nearest object which will offer some means of support.

And so the soul of man gropes, blindly, fearfully, almost desperately for something whereon it may cling and climb up toward the purer light for which it instinctively yearns. And yet like the tendrils of the sweet clematis, how unerringly does it lean toward that thing upon which it knows as by instinct it must climb. Thus the soul turns toward God. Not so easy as we might think, for on every side they call "lo here, ay lo there" until in despair we cry out helplessly. Many a weary traveler has perished in the labyrinth of doubts and uncertainties, losing his way completely by following first this will-o-wisp and then that.

But through it all and inspite of it all we know one thing; nearly two thousand years ago God gave the world a precious gift that was ever given to man. We know that he lived and that he taught strange doctrines that he was hated by men, that in a brief time he was put to a terrible death on the cross at the hands of wicked sinful men.

But somehow that did not seem to end the story as his enemies thought it would. For even now, nearly two thousand years later that same spirit seems to be walking abroad on the world, as silent and as constant and as serene and as beautiful as though it were embodied in flesh and bone, walking on the shores of Galilee

And as oft as Christmas time returns just so oft do the hearts of men turn toward that Spirit as unerringly as do the tendrils of the clematis turn to the supporting wall. For the heart of man senses that through the pains and the heart aches and the disappointments of a material world, ending as it does in inevitable death, there is something above and beyond—some original Cause, some understanding God who will be standing waiting at death's door with outstretched arms ready to catch up the soul as it leaves this unsatisfactory world and sweep it across the portal into a satisfying portion of his own kingdom which is heaven itself.

The spirit of Christmas is the spirit of the gift of God—a Christ with the power to satisfy every unsatisfied longing in the human breast, the complement and solution on to the otherwise unsolved puzzle of the ages—man. In this spirit let us worship the nativity of our Lord.

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF CHRISTMAS

Observance of the Christmas season was cut from the sacred oaks by the dates back to antiquity, but its connotation differs with periods of time, countries and individuals.

It is not strange that many of the customs employed in the service of this season were borrowed from the oriental and pagan countries centuries before. The pagans who worshipped the sun held special festivals, (called by the Romans Saturnalia), in December, the season having the shortest day in the year. These occasions were marked with great festivity and merriment.

Among the heathen of the northern countries honor was paid to the gods Odin and Thor, and great blocks of wood were burned and sacrifices of men and cattle made in the their worship. During the ceremonies mistletoe

was cut from the sacred oaks by the prince of the Druids. Thus the Saturnalia of the Romans was called Yule by the ancient Goths and Saxons.

The Teutons of ancient days at this season decorated a fir tree with trinkets, symbolizing in this manner their story that the sun, rising higher and higher in the sky, as it did in this season, resembled a large blossoming tree. The golden apples which they hung on the tree represented the planets, and the miniature animals symbolized the cattle which they offered in sacrifice to the Celestial Sun Tree.

Christmas, then, in days of antiquity was not a single day of sport, but a season of festivities, ceremonies, and democratic gatherings, even in countries where democracy in other seasons was unknown. Great hospitality, also, was a characteristic of the

Christmas festivities.

Some have said that with the coming of the Puritans, who looked down upon the manner of observing Christmas as pagan, the very existence of the season was threatened. Prynne complained "that the English of his day could not celebrate Christmas, or any other festival, without drinking, roaring, healthing, dicing, carding, dancing, masques and stage-plays, which Turks and Infidels would abhor to practise." This anti-Christmas spirit was brought to the shores of America with the coming of the Mayflower.

So strong became the feeling that English Parliament in 1643 abolished the Christmas festival along with Easter and Whitsuntide, and in spite of remonstrance from several quarters, the law held for twelve years. Following the example of the Mother Country, Massachusetts, in 1659 passed the law: "Anybody who is found observing, by abstinence from labor, feasting or any other way, any such day as Christmas day, shall pay for every such offense five shillings." This law was into effect until 1681.

Today, however, every country where Christ is known, observes His birth, although varied are the ways in which this is done.

To the individual who does not have a personal knowledge of the Christ, but is satisfied with knowing Him as a character in history, Christmas means no more than a time of festivity, giving and receiving of gifts, and a vacation from work. Or, if circumstances have not favored him in such a way as to make feasting a part of his Christmas, he thinks of the day as a time when the world is hard-hearted and cares nothing at all for him.

However, just as two thousand years ago, when the Christ made his advent into a world of strife, hatred and political unrest, and left His impact for good upon it, so today, where hearts make ready to receive Him, He enters, and the season of Christmas has a new and fuller meaning. Gifts are given not merely for their own sake, then, but in commemoration of the greatest Gift of all, the Son of God to mankind.

As the wisemen brought their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to Him that Christmas long ago, let us at this season offer to Him gifts of far greater worth—our time, our talents, ourselves, and join Phillips Brooks in his prayer of meditation and consecration: "How silently, how silently, The wondrous gift is given! So God imparts to human hearts The blessings of his heaven. No ear may hear his coming, But in this world of sin, Where meek souls will receive Him still The dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in,
Be born in us to day.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Immanuel."

—Fances Thomas

DID YOU KNOW THAT—

Mrs. Tillman Huston is living at Lancaster Missouri. Mrs. Huston was Miss Janie Blodgett, granddaughter of our own Professor Blodgett.

Miss Ella Bowie is teaching a full schedule at C. E. I. University at Chicago Ill., and is also taking six hours seminary work at Northern Baptist College at that place.

Miss Dagmar Armstrong is teaching in the city schools at Duluth Minn. Miss Armstrong was the very efficient art Editor of the 1927 Gem.

Miss Mary Brenneman is teaching in a private school for white children on an island about fourteen miles off the coast of Georgia. She writes: "I have only eight pupils but I find them very interesting. The climate here is not only warm, it is hot! We often go over to the beach to get the cool sea breezes." Miss Brenneman is of class 1927.

Miss Anna Niesly is teaching in an orphanage school at Coleta, Ill. She writes, "I find my work very interesting." She is also of class of 1927.

Miss Ethel Boyer is teaching school at her home school in Ohio. She writes that she had a very profitable summer selling books.

Gary Brown has a charge at Warsaw Circuit, Warsaw, Indiana. He writes that he enjoys his work and is seeing results.

Miss Bertha Phillips is attending State Normal at Muncie Indiana. Bertha was assistant expression teacher during her Senior year in college.

Basil T. Osborne of class 1925 is now taking Seminary work at Asbury College, Wilmore, Ky. He writes, "The old school has an abiding place in our affections and we often pray heavens blessings upon you there."

Edwin G. Liesman is at Gaylord, Michigan caring for a little flock in the Baptist ministry. Mr. Liesman is doing a great work for the Lord and seeing many souls saved.

Mr Charles A. Maynard is pastor of Decatur Circuit, Decatur Indiana.

Rev. Thurman Mott of class 1918 is pastor of the Methodist church at Wolcottville, Indiana.

Miss Dorothy Spaulding is taking work in John Fletcher College at University Park, Iowa. She took her Bachelor of Music in 1926.

THE MEANING OF "XMAS"

Do you know the meaning of "Xmas?" Perhaps you don't because you have never stopped to think what it means. Christmas is the birthday of Christ, but does "Xmas" signify the same things?

Many years ago the Jewish nation had our Master in their midst, but did they appreciate it? No, they rejected him, would have nothing to do with him, and finally crucified him. Even yet they haven't accepted Jesus for the Christ, and are crucifying his name today. How?

The Jews, as you know, are a money crazed people who lose no opportunity to get rich,so they have commercialized Christmas. Although they use our sacred season for their money-making season, they are not willing to use the Name we give it because of its significance. Now, to get around the Christ part of Christmas, they have substituted an "X" in place of Christ and spell "Xmas." What does "X" stand for, anyway? In algebra it can stand for anything or nothing at all. Then is it right for us to rule out Christ and place a meaningless letter in its place?

Each Christian should make an effort to rule out the "X" and let Christ have his rightful place. Don't let yourself be guilty of "Xmasing" Christmas. —P. W. A.

LITERARY GLEANINGS

NONE BUT THE LORD

A Christmas Poem by John Paul
There was none but the Lord
When the shepherds came;
Only the picture, with scarcely a frame.
Minus the courtiers and gorgeous hall,
Naught to impress them, Jesus was all.

There was none but the Lord
When the Spirit came,
Healing the heart of the world in his name,
Wayside and market and Lydia's home—
No other temples where men could come.

There is none but the Lord
When the nations seek,
When the heart of the human race shall speak.
No other one has the wisdom they crave,
Only the Master is able to save.

The following article is taken with some omissions from the "Golden Book" for December 1925.

CHRISTMAS

There seems to be considerably less than one chance in three hundred and sixty-five that the birthday of Jesus of Nazareth really fell on December twenty-fifth. As late as 245 Origen condemned as superstitious the very idea of such a celebration "as if he were a King Pharaoh." And in the East, January sixth was the usual date almost up to the fifth century.

John LaFarge found that the first Christian painters expressed the just-revealed religion by all sorts of pagan symbols. And our Christmas was a sacred day in many parts of the world for thousands of years before it was associated with the founder of Christianity.

For this was an ancient anniversary (the "turn of the year," in fact)—erroneously fixed as the winter solstice, the Birthday of the Sun, when the source of life turned back once more in his vast course toward a shivering earth and made certain another spring, another harvest.

Yule (apparently meaning the clamour of rejoicing) was the German and Celtic commemoration of the return of the sun's burning wheel; it brought us holly, mistletoe, wassail and the Yule log. The Christmas present (whose abuse in America threatens to commercialize and destroy the day's significance) is still unknown outside of Teutonic lands; the strense of Latin countries, and the extremes of France are New Year's gifts. St. Nicholas ("Santa Claus" from the Dutch Son of Nicolas) was a real Bishop of Myra in the fourth century; the engaging stories of him made him the patron saint of children, virgins, sailors—even of thieves—and of Russia.

—Henry Van Dyke.

COURTESY CORNER

It was one of those blizzardy days. The bell had rung and the class was passing out of the room.

"How can I ever carry all these books down to my room in this storm," the lady professor remarked. The boys unheeding continued to leave. They were too preoccupied with other things perhaps, and a girl walked down to the professor's home, helping her with her load. Thoughtful indeed!

Who do you suppose it was? Lee Wilson, manager of the Eulogs was the courteous gentleman mentioned here last week. His spirit is the kind that wins.

INQUIRING REPORTER

Question: What is your greatest Christmas thrill?

'Santa Claus.'

—Mr. Earl Allen

"To try to make known to others the joy of the living Christ, through whatever channel may be available, is the greatest Christmas thrill I know."

—Miss Ruth Atkins.

'My greatest Christmas thrill is the giving of Gifts in remembrance of the great gift of Jesus Christ as my Redeemer.'

—Mr. Ernest Hamilton

"My greatest Christmas thrill is going home and seeing my folks and all my old chums."

—Miss Ellen Smith

"The greatest Christmas thrill I ever had was the time when I talked to Santa over the telephone, not knowing that my brother was feigning that beloved gentleman and having fun at my credulity."

—Mr. Donald Rose.

IN SEASON AND OUT

Bozo Sez

We are convinced and therefore do highly resolve that we will not—that we positively have no intention of, believing all that everyone expects us to believe.

The man who expects you to sit back with your mouth agape and pencil in hand, drinking in and taking down all the chatter that he may be able to impressively 'spill' is the man to be watched. Once in a while there comes such a man to T. U..

—O—

Now that the usual miseries of exams are over; the usual number of flunks have been recorded, every student in T.U. has made a resolution or two. (We are reasonably sure of this).

Dear Teachers:—

There are none of us—not a single one, going to get a mark below 75 in the winter term. (We thought we should tell you now so that you might better enjoy your well-earned vacation.

—O—

From the meager reports that are available we feel that all is not right on Fourth Floor. Strange rumors are being wafted about the campus. Some one who will be brave enough to give us the facts of the case will make his name in the newspaper world and will bring in a 'scoop' for the Echo.

—O—

What with the cater-wauling, and belling of big voiced bassoons in Swallow Robin at almost any hour of the day or night and the two o'clock powwows on Fourth, the campus is able to keep from getting as dead as the proverbial 'last year's woodpecker's nest.'

—O—

Since the only thing that is really IN SEASON at the present moment is Christmas presents we will cut short our vain ramblings, bid you all a fond and tearful farewell, wish you a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR, and wish you a bushel of fun and good luck until we see you again in print sometime in January, 1928.

P. S. (Special) Wow! Say boys, Leap Year is most here! Hang onto your hats and your pocket books and good names. My what a desparate year this is going to be for all us merry bachelors.

Oh the women are cold and the women are bold,

They have the melting stare, They'll get you yet, so don't forget

For your very life be ware. -----

When ever you feel you'r about to yield

To some fair damsel's eyes

Remember 'tis said, You'r a long time wed;

And it's to late then for sighs.

So the safest way is to do as I say

Just paddle your own canoe;

Then the Government Committee, oh what a pitty,

Won't have a thing to do.

Don't make a date, don't stay up late;

Each night walk home alone;

Thus passing Leap Year without a fear,

Pure Bachelor's Bilss to have won.

DETROIT STUDENT CONVENTION

The Missionary Enterprise, like a good saddle mule, has been kicked and beaten so much that we're beginning to believe it's either hopelessly dumb, or else deserves an epic on its humility and patience and willingness to serve. It's a favorite editorial diversion to jump on the enterprise with both feet, and give it an additional kick in the eye before walking away. More mud has been flung at the foreign missionary than at anyone, except perhaps a presidential candidate or the King of England in Chicago. Still there are men who have had a wide acquaintance with world conditions, who continue to believe in the necessity of missions.

At Detroit this winter, December 28 to January 1, four thousand students from the United States and Canada will come together to frankly discuss the whole business. If we are somewhat disgusted with the sort of a world we have now—if we think it can ever be molded nearer to the heart's desire—what about this project of foreign mission which is so widely discussed, so important a factor in present development? Must it be discarded? Can it be improved in certain respects? Can it be made more effective by changing the political, racial, and economic attitudes in this country which are not thoroughly Christian? Can the elements of propaganda be removed from the missionary approach, and sound psychological principles adhered to?

All such questions may not be answered at Detroit but it is expected that students will come willing to think seriously about them and frankly air their views. Many foreign students and national leaders will be present at Detroit. It will probably be the largest and most representative gathering held on the continent during this student generation.

Students need facts as a basis for their opinions and discussions. Outstanding speakers from all parts of the world are being brought to Detroit, but the convention will not center in the speakers. The high spots of the gathering will be in colloquia, a combination of discussion and forum groups. Here, in small groups, aided by international experts as "resource material," delegates plan to think their way through—to realize the possibility of creating in a group, through the interplay of thought, some entirely new ideas better than any individual opinions. These will not merely be developed by a process of addition, but by the "interpenetration of us all."

VACATION ACTIVITIES OF SOME TAYLORITES

Rev. Robert Clark is preaching a series of evangelistic services at George Edie's church in Wabash, Ind. at the present time. He will be there until December 26, whereupon he will leave immediately for the Detroit convention.

During the vacation Rev. J. Ross Jackson will be preaching a series of revival services at his church.

An evangelistic company composed of Josephine, Marguerite and Wallace Deyo, Paul Antle and Alfred Cook will be assisting the pastor at Ligonier, Indiana with special services.

Esther Carman and Hellen Trout have been engaged to direct the singing in a two week's meeting at Edison, (near Marion, Ohio) Ohio The meeting is to start on Christmas day.

Dr. Paul's lecture on The Flag which has received wide-spread comment in pamphlet form and will be ready for distribution by Christmas time. Our President will spend the greater part of his Christmas vacation and the first two weeks of the new year with his mother in New Orleans. He is planning to take a much needed rest and during the relaxation period he expects to finish the history of Bishop William Taylor, at which he has been engaged intermittently for some time. His address will be at the St. Charles Hotel, New Orleans.

During the absence of the President the Vice president, Dr. B.W. Ayres, will have charge of the details of school management and of the Chapel services.

A Happy New Year, girls! and good luck for 1928.

TAYLOR OFFERS CLASS INSTRUCTION IN PIANO

"The Melody Way" to be adopted.

We pass these words on to Taylor students.

We have come to realize that the PIANO is the foundation of all musical endeavor. The individuality of the piano as an instrument is being more and more recognized. Recently a new musical phase has been introduced in the important and well-recognized colleges and universities of our day. Classes in piano have been developed for the purpose of those who wish to become acquainted with the piano keyboard, and for those who wish to receive training in preparation to teach a class of pupils. We notice that the very best colleges in the United States (including Columbia, Universities of Wisconsin and Washington, Lawrence, Chicago Musical College and others) are giving class lessons in piano and teaching teachers to teach this way.

TAYLOR wishes to be in the same class as these larger schools and to keep up with the latest musical developments. For some years Taylor has offered class instruction in piano for children, but this year piano classes will also be opened for College Students, under the direction of Miss Sadie Miller, who received her Certificate last summer in the Miessner Method of Class Instruction. "The Melody Way" will be the method used in the class teaching, a method which is founded on the most modern ways of teaching used in our public schools today. Rythm, melody, harmony, form and finger technique are taught and analyzed, and because of the arrangement of the work investigators have found that pupils taking this course learn easily because of the interest and pleasure aroused. Old methods taught the elements of the subject first, and the pupils made slow progress because they were not interested in elements. The new method first presents rhythmic songs arranged as piano pieces, in which the keys are named, movements analyzed, and harmonic names of the chords are learned. As a result the pupil's interest is aroused and advancement is more rapid.

Therefore, the Music Department assures you that these classes under Miss Miller will be both interesting and beneficial to all those who may be interested. We are certain that you will take advantage of this offer at Taylor. Remember Rothafel's words: "Start right away before it is too late!"

REV. MARY SIBBITT SPEAKS IN CHAPEL

Youth is the time to prepare for mature years. There are three essential steps in the education of youth today. (1) Be able to read the signs and know which way to turn, (2) Learn to play the game and play it fair, (3) Be able to do the thing that ought to be done, at the time it ought to be done whether we want to do it or not.

It is just the little things that make up life but these are the things that count. The moments are diamonds and it is our duty to polish them. The thing the world needs most today is educated, consecrated citizens, otherwise the moral enemies of America can never be conquered. Let us prepare each day carefully and as we do, remember others, for it is others we must serve.

SUNDAY CHAPEL

The last regular Sunday Chapel service of the year was one of special blessing and inspiration. A quartet composed of Misses Carman, Scott, Trout and Leisure sang "Transformed" and "Have Thine Own Way." The choir sang "Oh Holy Night." Dr. Owen brought a very touching message on the incarnation of Christ. He stressed the manner of the incarnation—that it was a unique birth and that belief in the virgin birth is absolutely essential. Dr. Owen pointed out the deity and the humanity of the incarnate Christ. He was very God and yet he was wearied with toil. The purpose of this incarnation was to redeem the race, to reveal the Father and to set an example for us in holiness, in obedience, in service, in sacrifice. This is a time of gifts. Through the incarnation we have received the gift of His Son—the gift of eternal life. Let us thank Him for it!

MNANKAS CONSIDER A SERIOUS QUESTION DEC. 17

Saturday evening the Mnankas assembled in Society Hall to debate the question: Resolved: That participants in the fourth floor escapade should be compelled to exchange rooms with members of the first floor. We found that the debaters were very capable of handling their side of the argument—the affirmative being upheld by the Misses Hinshaw and Levern, the negative upheld by the very loyal members of fourth floor, the Misses Davis and Breland. After a very thorough discussion of the question was left to the judges to decide. Because of the efficient way in which they fought the case of there fourth floor comrades the negative side won. Then we dispersed, happy to know that we would not have to stand the serious strain of moving.

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REV. HUNT SPEAKS

(Continued from page 1, col. 5.) used by Job, meant a "hinge." It is significant that modern astronomers have discovered that the solar system is revolving around Pleiades at the rate of one revolution per seven mileniums. "Loose the bands of Orion" is explained by the fact that modern astronomers have discovered that the stars of the constellation Orion are separating. The conclusion is that God told Job all this.

"It is not so, that all scholarship is on the side of heterodoxy," said Rev. Hunt. "The old fashioned, dependable, classical scientists are on the side of the Bible.

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HOLINESS LEAGUE ELECTS OFFICERS

On Friday evening, Dec. 9, the Holiness League elected its officers for the winter term.

President, Charles Wideman.
Vice President, Wallace Deyo.
Sec. Treas., Louise Hazelton.
Pianist, Mary Davidson.
Reporter, Gerald Weshie.
Librarian, James Uhlinger.

Jimmie says that the reason they always give the out-going president the job of 'librarian,'—purified name for 'janitor,' is so that if he has become proud during his term as president, he will have ample opportunity to get over it during his subsequent term as janitor.

WHO TOLD MOSES

Dr. Hunt spoke on the subject of the Bible and Modern Science. He divided his subject into seven parts: (1) Where did Moses get his theology? How could Moses living in an age of corruption and iniquity know that there was but one God? (2) Where did he get his Cosmogony? How did he know about the Creation and fall of man? How did he know Adam and Eve were made like God? (3) Where did he get his geology? The recent FOUR—FOUR—FOUR findings agree with the first chapter of Genesis. How did Moses know things that just now have been discovered? (4) Where did Moses get his physics? The scientist gives the five outstanding points—Time, space, matter, force and motion, and Moses' account agrees with these principles. How did Moses know that light was the result of motion? It was discovered years after his age. (5) Where did Moses get his phraseology? How did he know what words to use? (6) Where did Moses get his Zoology? How did he know that the order of life was plants, fish, reptiles, birds, animals and man? The scientist verifies this. (7) Where did Moses get his prophetic outlook? He promises that after the fall, God will come and redeem his people. He told of the flood. How did he know that? The answer to all these questions is, God told Moses.

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THALO GIRLS WIN FIRST GAME

Score 25-15

New stars are discovered on Both Sides. Tying the score at the end of the first quarter, the Thalo girls walked steadily away from their opponents and ran up a score of 25-15.

In spite of the weather which kept many away, the Gallery of the Gymnasium was well filled Saturday evening at the initial game of the series between the Philo and Thalo girls. With Gorrell refereeing, the game got under way with lots of snap and pep, both sides battling desperately to hold the ball. Getting the first tip-off the Thalo Girls rushed the ball down the floor where the Philos broke up the play. Once more recovering the ball the Thalos closed in and Nutting dropped in a pretty one from the side. Roused by the fast play, the Philos worked the ball down the floor and Kendall on receiving a pass from Horbury, scored the first for the Blue and White.

The Thalos once more gained possession of the ball, and Longcor scored for the Orange and Black. After executing several snappy passes the Philos went down the floor and Kendall brought the score up to 5-5 which ended the quarter.

At the beginning of the second quarter the Thalos got the tip-off and Nutting, the Oregon whirlwind, scored again. Immediately following this Nutting once more scored and then Longcor starred by shooting one in from the side. At this point of the game both sides mixed up in general with neither side scoring until Horbury on a pass from Duryea, scored with a short shot from near the side lines. Soon the two Thalo stars, Nutting and Longcor rolled in two easy ones bringing the score up to thirteen for the Thalos.

Near the end of the half the Philos staged a rally and showed excellent speed and passing although their shooting was a little off form. Kendall rolled in a foul which ended the half 13-8.

At the beginning of the second half the Philos came back strong and getting the ball worked it down the floor but missed the basket. The Thalos working steadily, scored three shots in quick succession which was soon followed with another. Kendall intercepting a pass scored, which brought the score up to ten for the Philos. Encouraged by this, the Philos staged a comeback and for a while rolled the score up dangerously close to their opponents, but soon they began to fall behind. The game ended with a final score of 25-15.

LINE-UP

Thalo		Philo
Burns	L.G.	Stewart
Snell	R.G.	Poling
Longcor 13	R.F.	Kendall 13
Nutting 12	L.F.	Horbury 2
Derby	J.C.	Hazelton
Shaw	R.C.	Duryea
Subs.—		
Thalo—Gegan, Ehrick, Rose, Davis.		
Philo—Miller, Stealy.		

TAYLOR'S CONTRIBUTION

—By H. J. Ockenga, '27.

The twentieth century is marked by many great movements promoted by religion and science. The youth movement is one of the outstanding of these. It has centered the experience and thought of many individuals into a great mass experience and mass thought. It is a student movement, combining the best that this generation has to offer in intellectualism and in religious experience. The cause of this is the sudden growth of a multitude of problems. These problems are challenging the best that our civilization has to offer to solve them. Every institution and individual that has a contribution cannot refrain from giving it.

From every nook and cranny of the civilized world such contributions are coming. They consist of economic theories, scientific hypotheses, religious dogmas, cultural ideas, philosophic speculation, and individual experience. They are being melted and molded together into a great mass and then hammered into concrete usable form.

This is the process going on. Is Taylor having a part in it? Is the outcome different because Taylor has had something to contribute and is contributing it? It is. It is because

NEW MEN WIN

The old men played the new men in their second basket ball game, at the new Upland gym. The game was easily won by the new men, because they had a superior passing attack and were more accurate at shooting baskets. Dickson, Spaude and Bourquard starred for the new men. The old men found it almost impossible to adapt themselves to the large floor, and to work together efficiently as a machine. Having an unskilled referee for the game, made it rather a rough and tumble affair.

SPORT BRIEFS

—BB—

Judging from last night's game the Philos will have to step to win the Pennant this year.

—BB—

Say, did you see those Thalo forwards? "Some Speed."

—BB—

What's the matter with Kendall? She's all right.
Who's all right?
KENDALL.

—BB—

Miss Howard upon being interviewed about the game, says if they keep on playing like that, she will have to order some more bandages.

—BB—

Good work Gorrell.
Keep it up.

—BB—

After seeing such a fast game as the first game of the series it is doubtful whether there will be standing room at the next one. Now that one game has been played off before vacation the Girls will come back strong after a complete rest and everyone who misses the next game will miss seeing one of the best games of the season.

Speculation is running high as to the probable outcome of the Boys' Series and with plenty of new material on both sides backed with the training of the Varsity, there is bound to be plenty of excitement for the Winter Term.

from Taylor students have gone forth infused with a dynamic principle of life and learning not only to conferences but to other institutions where a melting and mutual exchange is continuing. Taylor men and women have not been satisfied with a mere college education which is accessible to the multitudes today, but have been and are seeking those higher lights of learning with which to combine a vital piety with this they are influencing the present generation.

Another group will now take part in the great convention in Detroit. They will represent Taylor's ideals, thought, and experience. They are fit and will do it well. But soon they will be gone. Then who will take their places? There are none but Taylor's present students, who in many cases pay little attention to these affairs.

The problems are growing to tremendous proportions, the time is slipping quickly on, the crisis is coming. Will Taylor do her best to meet the need? She will only as her students "stir up the gift of God that is within" them, and consecrate themselves to the task.

QUARTETS

(Continued from page 1, col. 3)
it to the school for the program given.

Seldom has the Kiwanis Club of Hartford City heard a more enjoyable program than that rendered by the quartet, composed of Misses Miller, McCain, Purchis and Groff last week," said the Hartford City Gazette.

Taylor has long been noted for the excellence of its musicians and these two quartets of young ladies are further enhancing this reputation for the school. Reports will be given from time o time of the appearances of these quartets.

Carlton Long: "I have an idea."

Anderson: "Be good to it. It's in a strange place."

Mrs. Anderson: "That pound of evaporated peaches you sold me didn't weigh over fourteen ounces."

Grocer: "Well ma'am, I didn't guarantee 'em not to go on evaporating."

PROFESSOR FURBAY ATTENDS NATIONAL CONVENTION

The Science department of Taylor University will be represented by J.H. Furbay at the Annual convention of the National Association for the advancement of Science, to be held December 28 to 31, at Nashville, Tenn.

This convention will be the largest ever held by the Association, and will represent the latest scientific advancements of the hour. Several important questions are to be considered, such as: Science and War, Science and Industry, Science and Religion, and many other vital subjects related to science today.

The Science department is one of the strong phases of Taylor's training. No college can hope to educate youth today without adequate scientific training. We are living in a scientific age, and a certain amount of scientific knowledge is indispensable in the relating of one's self to present-day problems, which are met every day by everyone. We are glad to see Taylor represented at this great gathering for Scientific advancement.

FROM THE BOXING RING TO THE PULPIT

By Dorothy Hobson.

Rev. J. B. Hunt, Superintendent of the Detroit Holiness Tabernacle, and noted itinerate evangelist has been delivering a series of interesting lectures in Shreiner Auditorium during Chapel pel hour and in the evening.

I sought him out one morning and found him in his room deeply engrossed in his Bible. After granting admittance, he smilingly beckoned me to a take a chair opposite him and waited for me to state the purpose of my visit.

"In your lecture yesterday morning, you mentioned your fondness for athletics in your boyhood days. Would you mind telling me something more about it?"

Settling more securely in his chair, Rev. Hunt leaned his head back and for a moment was lost in memories of the days gone by.

"You just want an abbreviated account don't you?" he questioned.

Telling him that he could tell me as much as he wanted to, he obligingly progressed with his early history.

"I was born near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, of English descent, being a direct descendant of Leigh Hunt.

"From my early childhood, I developed a great liking for athletics. At sixteen years I became an amateur boxer and boxed for two years. Friends who noticed my cleverness for boxing wanted to put me under the best boxing instructor in Philadelphia, but my mother objected. At the same time I pitched baseball for a semi-professional team, and at sixteen I held the record for throwing a baseball at a distance of 336 feet. During this time I worked as a bricklayer.

"At eighteen I was wonderfully saved in a Methodist church. Then began my intellectual and spiritual development for I felt called to the ministry. Six months after I was saved was the great turning point in my life.

I spent four years at Pennington Seminary. During my schooling I continued to pitch baseball."

"Soon after I went to Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and after four years obtained my A.B. degree. I pitched my whole four years against many eastern colleges among them Georgetown University, in Washington D.C., then baseball champions in the University world. It is not with boastfulness that I say that I became famous as a pitcher, and in my senior year pitched with Chief Bender, now famous Indian pitcher who has pitched for the Philadelphia American League for five years. I also could have entered the American League if I had wished."

"Then I went to the Philadelphia Conference of the M.E. Church where I took my theological course. Not long after that I married and then became the pastor of an M.E. Church for eighteen years. Six years ago the Lord called me to be an itinerate evangelist, which calling has led me through fifteen states and Canada."

Rev. Hunt is noted as a special student of the Bible and modern science, and the great theme of predictive prophecy of Christ.

T. U. DELEGATES TO GO TO CONVENTION

The T. U. delegates to the Student Volunteer Convention will arrive in Detroit on the morning of the 28th. Those who expect to be present are: Dean Saucier, chairman

Robert Clark, President of the Indiana Union of the Volunteers.

Jorge Masa, who is to lead in the discussion groups, and who goes as our foreign representative.

Bertha Pollitt.

Frances Bogue, President of our local chapter of Student Volunteers.

It is expected that several former T. U. students will also be present at the convention, among them Clair Snell, Alvin Beers, Harold Ockenga, all former graduates.

Incidentally, those who made pledges toward sending these delegates should make them good immediately.

Frances Thomas, and her sister, Mabel Norris, a former Taylor student, have been invited to sing Christmas carols over the Voice of Labor station, Chicago, NCFL, Thursday Dec. 22 at 1 P.M.

Their father, Rev. F. F. Thomas, is to be the Christmas speaker.

In English 18:

Melva Horbury (to Prof. Crosier): "I don't seem to understand this verse:"

"But love is such a mystery,
I cannot find it out:

For when I think I'm best resolved
I then am in most doubt."

Prof. Crosier: "Mr. (Harrison) Taylor, I'm sure you can explain it."

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